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PROLIFERATION MATTERS

1. SUMMARY. DURING VISIT OF ACDA DIRECTOR IKLE, FRG
STATE SECRETARY MOERSCH GAVE FAVORABLE REACTION TO U.S.
PROPOSAL FOR CONSULTATIONS AMONG NUCLEAR EXPORTERS AND
EXPRESSED A HOPE THAT MULTILATERAL TALKS MIGHT TAKE
PLACE BEFORE THE END OF THE YEAR. FRG DISARMAMENT HEAD
ROTH RAISED QUESTIONS ABOUT U.S. SUBSTANTIVE SUGGESTIONS
FOR CONFERENCE, PARTICULARLY REGARDING THE IDEA OF MULTI-
NATIONAL REPROCESSING PLANTS. ROTH ALSO BROACHED POSSI-
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BILITY THAT FRG MIGHT DEPOSIT NPT RATIFICATION UNDER A

TEMPORARY SUSPENSION OF EURATOM SAFEGUARDS-NPT LINKAGE. THIS COULD GIVE THE ITALIANS AN ADDITIONAL NINE MONTHS TO RATIFY, WHILE ALSO PERMITTING FRG PARTICIPATION IN THE REVIEW CONFERENCE. END SUMMARY.

2. DURING VISIT OF ACDA DIRECTOR IKLE, MFA STATE SECRETARY MOERSCH INDICATED A FAVORABLE GERMAN RESPONSE TO U.S. PROPOSAL FOR A NUCLEAR SUPPLIERS CONFERENCE. A RECOMMENDATION FOR FRG PARTICIPATION IS AWAITING THE FOREIGN MINISTER'S SIGNATURE. MFA DISARMAMENT HEAD ROTH EXPRESSED A HOPE THAT A MEETING MIGHT TAKE PLACE BEFORE THE END OF THE YEAR.

3. ROTH AND HIS STAFF ASKED A NUMBER OF QUESTIONS ON DETAILS OF WHAT U.S. HAS IN MIND, PARTICULARLY REGARDING MULTI-NATIONAL REPROCESSING PLANTS. THESE INCLUDED: WOULD PARTICIPATION BE MULTI-NATIONAL IN FINANCING, OR IN STAFF, OR BOTH? DO WE HAVE PRECISE STUDIES OF THE SIZE OF REPROCESSING PLANTS THAT WOULD BE ECONOMIC? DO WE HAVE IN MIND ONLY INTRA-REGIONAL PARTICIPANTS, OR MIGHT SUPPLIER STATES ALSO PARTICIPATE? GERMANS EXPRESSED SOME FUNDAMENTAL DOUBTS ABOUT WHAT THE REQUIREMENTS FOR LARGE-SCALE REPROCESSING WOULD BE IN LIGHT OF PROSPECTIVE DEMAND AND WASTE DISPOSAL REQUIREMENTS, AND ASKED WHETHER THERE WERE NEW TECHNOLOGIES AVAILABLE THAT MIGHT HELP WITH THE LATTER PROBLEM. ROTH REFERRED TO THE TERMINATION OF U.S. BUY-BACK, AND INQUIRED WHETHER DEVELOPED COUNTRIES WOULD ALSO ACCEPT MULTI-NATIONAL ROUTE. HE STRESSED THE PARTICULAR IMPORTANCE OF MAINTAINING A NON-DISCRIMINATORY APPEARANCE.

3. IKLE NOTED THAT IT WOULD BE GOOD TO HAVE THESE AND ANY OTHER GERMAN QUESTIONS FOR STUDY IN WASHINGTON, SO THAT WE CAN BE PREPARED SHOULD WE HAVE FUTURE BILATERALS. ROTH SAID THAT FRG WOULD LIKE TO HAVE BILATERAL TALKS, AND IKLE REITERATED DESIRE TO GET GERMAN QUESTIONS AS EARLY AS POSSIBLE.

4. ITALIAN RATIFICATION: IN A PRIVATE ASIDE, ROTH NOTED TO IKLE THAT DUTCH, FOR DOMESTIC REASONS, WOULD
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PROBABLY DEPOSIT RATIFICATION BEFORE END OF YEAR, AND FRG WOULD WANT TO DO SO NOT LONG AFTERWARDS. IT WOULD BE PART OF THIS TACTIC TO SUSPEND SAFEGUARDS LINKAGE TO NPT FOR NINE MONTHS. ROTH THOUGHT THIS NEW DEADLINE WOULD ENABLE ITALIANS TO RATIFY IN THAT TIME. IF THIS APPROACH SUCCEEDED, FRG COULD PARTICIPATE IN REVIEW CONFERENCE.

5. COMMERCIAL ASPECTS OF EXPORT CONTROLS. STATE MINISTER MOERSCH OF MFA EMPHASIZED TO IKLE, ON BASIS OF HIS EXPERIENCE WORKING IN PARLIAMENT FOR NPT RATIFICATION, THAT GERMANS WOULD BE PARTICULARLY CONCERNED THAT SUPPLIERS CONFERENCE NOT INTRODUCE LIMITATIONS ON COMPETITION UNDER THE GUISE OF SECURITY ARGUMENTS. THIS CONCERN ABOUT THE POSSIBLE COMMERCIAL IMPLICATIONS OF EXPORT WAS ALSO EXPRESSED TO IKLE BY OTHER FRG OFFICIALS, AND IS A REGULAR THEME IN CONTACTS OF EMBOFFS. FOR THIS POINT, IT WOULD BE USEFUL TO PROVIDE GERMANS WITH AS MUCH DETAIL AS POSSIBLE REGARDING COMMERCIAL HANDICAPS THAT U.S. HAS IMPOSED ON ITSELF IN MIDDLE EAST AND ELSEWHERE IN INTEREST OF EFFECTIVE CONTROLS ON PROLIFERATION.

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